

**WILL COUNTY BOARD**  
**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

**MINUTES**

**July 1, 2010**

9:30 a.m.

Will County Office Building  
County Board Committee Room  
302 North Chicago Street  
Joliet, IL 60432

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Bilotta called the meeting to order at 9:46 a.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**Present were Members:** Adamic, Kusta, Stewart, Dralle, Gould, Seiler, Singer, Weigel, Wilhelmi and Bilotta.

**Absent were Members:** Goodson, Maher and Moustis.

**Present from State's Attorney's Office:** M. Tatroe and M. Manning.

**Also Present:**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

Mr. Stewart led the committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Mr. Kusta, second by Mr. Adamic, to approve the minutes from the June 3, 2010 meeting. All in favor. MOTION CARRIES.

A motion was made by Mrs. Dralle, second by Ms. Seiler, to approve the executive session minutes from the June 3, 2010 meeting. All in favor. MOTION CARRIES.

A motion was made by Mr. Stewart, second by Ms. Seiler, to approve the minutes from the June 10, 2010 meeting. All in favor. MOTION CARRIES.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT REQUESTS**

1. Request for Presentation by the University of IL Extension -Doug Tweeten - Attached – Finance Committee
2. Discussion and Request for RFP for External Audit – Paul Rafac – Finance Committee
3. Request for Transfer of Appropriations within Health Department Budget-John Cicero-Attached – Finance Committee
4. Request for Disbursal of Petan Victim Assistance Board Funds – Mary Tatroe – Attached - Finance Committee
5. Request for Resolution Authorizing Establishment of 2010 Budget for Energy Efficiency & Conservation Block Grant Program – Dean Olson - Attached – Finance and Executive Committee (s)
6. Request for Resolution for Acceptance and Approval of Election Judges for 2010-2012 term-Nancy Schultz Voots- Attached - Executive Committee
7. Request for Resolution for Removal of Election Judges – Nancy Schultz Voots – Attached – Executive Committee
8. Request for Resolution Adopting WC Consolidated Plan and PY 2010 Action Plan for CDBG and HOME Investment Partnership Grant Programs – Ron Pullman – Attached – Executive Committee
9. Request for Resolution to Execute Intergovernmental Agreement between Village of Frankfort and County for Jurisdiction over 300 feet of Elise Blvd – ASA Mary Tatroe – Attached - Executive Committee
10. Request to Cancel Bid for Hybrid Bus – Rita Weiss – Attached – Executive Committee
11. Request to Declare Sole Source Provider for Mobile Education Unit – Dean Olson- Attached - Executive Committee
12. Request for Resolution Authorizing County Executive to Negotiate and Execute an Agreement with Turtle Top to Provide Mobile Education Unit – Dean Olson – Attached – Executive Committee
13. Request for Resolution to Execute Intergovernmental Agreement with Homer Glen for Household Hazardous Waste Collection – Dave Hartke – Attached - Executive Committee
14. Request for Resolution to Execute Intergovernmental Agreement with Village of Romeoville for Permanent Electronics Drop-off Program – Marta Keane – Attached - Executive Committee

15. Request for Discussion Re: Wind Tower Land Use Issues – Land Use & Executive Committee(s)
16. Request for Resolution Re: Determination of Fair Market Value of Improved Acre within Will County School Districts– Brian Radner – **(To Be Heard by Land Use on June 29, 2010)**
17. Request for Ordinance Re: Amending Section 14.8-6 and 14.9-5 of Will County Zoning Ordinance-PZC Concurring Votes- Brian Radner – **(To Be Heard by Land Use on June 29, 2010)**
18. Request to Present Plaque Dedicating Will County Drug Court Recovery Home and Naming it Miller Taylor House at **August Co Board** –State’s Attorney’s Office – Attached - Executive Committee
19. Placement of Items on Public Works & Transportation Committee Agenda - List Attached (To Be Heard 07-06-10)

**ADDITIONAL COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT REQUESTS**

1. Request to Participate in Hines Emerald Dragonfly Habitat Conservation Plan – Thomas Carroll – Attached - Executive Committee
2. Request for Creation of Special Fund for Account Code for Foreclosure Mediation – Kurt Sangmeister - Attached – Finance Committee
3. Request to Discuss LED Lighting at Capital Improvements – Chuck Maher
4. Request to Discuss Report from Land Use Dept. Re: Foreclosed Letters of Credit – Curt Paddock/David Dubois - Executive Committee

Mr. Bilotta stated there is one more additional request.

Mr. Palmer indicated they had received an inquiry from a company that is working with NACo, producing videos; they have been doing this for a number of years with various municipalities. They will tape the video with the county’s input and then it is given to us for free. Separate from the county, they offer to sell sponsorship to pay for it. This is basically to promote the county; we could have elected officials on the video, schools, education issues, job issues. Initially we thought we did not need to come to the board; we need to sign an agreement to allow this company to produce the video. This is for the county as a whole and what it is all about.

Mr. Adamic questioned if we control the advertising.

Mr. Palmer replied the company does not allow certain entities to advertise; we also have the right to block any particular sector. If they do not sell any ads, we still get the video.

Mr. Bilotta suggested assigning this to the executive committee agenda. He requested some examples be provided at the next meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Adamic, second by Mrs. Dralle to assign the issue of the NACo video program to the executive committee. All in favor. MOTION CARRIES.

Mr. Singer questioned the Hines Emerald Dragonfly Habitat Conservation Plan.

Mr. Paddock replied this request is similar to what the Forest Preserve District currently does with respect to cooperating with a group that has indicated a willingness in their operations to consider the impact of various types of construction activities on the environment where this particular endangered species is located. The matter before you is indication of a willingness to participate in such a program so that when various operations such as the Highway Department are undertaken it would indicate their willingness to adhere in such a way to not adversely impact or take mediation steps necessary to address this. In the case of the Land Use Department we would advise individuals who come through for permits of whatever proposed activity that would be in their habitat and suggest various types of mitigation efforts they may take to avoid adverse impact.

Mr. Singer asked if there is any cost to the county and what is the anticipated responsibility for compliance.

Mr. Paddock answered no; by advising them of the practices this would keep them from inadvertently ending up damaging the habitat and possibly being liable for having done that; there would not be a cost of compliance but rather it is a service of alerting them to the facts of this potential and suggesting ways for them to be able to avoid having an impact.

Mr. Singer questioned if we improve an intersection and this study was not done; is there another study done in its place? And if it is done; what kind of problems do we anticipate in completing that work.

Mr. Paddock replied it is not really a matter of doing a study; it is a matter of indicating here is the presence of the habitat known to this particular species and here are the steps they can take to minimize the impact.

Mr. Gould stated if we are going to undertake a project that would impact the habitat area, we are required by state and federal guidelines to do any study, to make sure they are not adversely affected. If in fact what we are doing impacts them, there are certain guidelines we have to comply with.

Mr. Bilotta asked if there is a map put together by this group.

Mr. Radner answered there is a map showing what is thought to be a higher impact area in the Homer, Lemont, Lockport area.

Mrs. Dralle commented because of the I-355 extension and the Route 7 Bridge the habitat for the dragon fly is very well established and very well protected. She feels this may be a doubling up with what we already know.

Mr. Singer questioned who we are participating with.

Mr. Paddock replied the program is sponsored by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife. It is not really meant to be another regulatory procedure; it is meant to indicate an inter-agency understanding agreement that you will take steps to alert the groups that you deal with to the presence of the dragonfly and suggest various mitigated steps they can take. If there are concerns or reservations, we can give a more detailed presentation at the next meeting and then the policy question is whether this is something you want to participate in.

Mr. Singer stated he is just as sensitive as anyone else to matters of environmental concern; when you look at the economic impact of the dragonfly on the county – there were hundreds of millions of dollars spent in the protection of this insect in this county alone. He understands we are dealing with federal laws, regulatory requirements that are above us. The true real world impacts on what things like this do for job creation, economic development and cost of resources is huge; in considering the way things are in the world it is important to get back to fundamentals.

Mr. Paddock indicated we are here because the agency approached us wanting to know if the governing body of Will County would be willing to participate in this program.

Mr. Bilotta commented they will have more information at the meeting next week.

A motion was made by Mr. Kusta, second by Mrs. Dralle, to approve the committee assignment requests, as amended. All in favor. MOTION CARRIES.

### **Other Business**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE COUNTY BOARD CHAIRMAN**

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mr. Bilotta stated an executive session was necessary to discuss potential litigation.

A motion as made by Mr. Kusta, second by Mr. Adamic, to go into executive session at 10:00 a.m. to discuss potential litigation. On a roll call vote, Adamic, Kusta, Stewart, Dralle, Gould, Seiler, Singer, Weigel, Wilhelmi and Bilotta voting yes. MOTION CARRIES.

Mr. Bilotta announced they were now in executive session.

A motion was made by Mr. Adamic, second by Ms. Seiler, to come out of executive session at 10:20 a.m. On a roll call vote, Adamic, Kusta, Stewart, Dralle, Gould, Seiler, Singer, Weigel, Wilhelmi and Bilotta voting yes. MOTION CARRIES.

A motion was made by Mr. Adamic, second by Mrs. Dralle, to concur with the recommendation by the State's Attorney's Office regarding potential litigation. All in favor, with Mr. Gould voting no. MOTION CARRIES.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Mr. Adamic, second by Mr. Kusta, to adjourn the meeting at 10:21 a.m. All in favor. MOTION CARRIES.